

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

W. E. Robertson has gone to Tennessee to purchase mules and horses.

J. A. Hendry has rented the cottage recently occupied by H. E. Carlton.

Miss Williams of Zolfo, is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. L. Cline this week.

C. C. Chollar spent a couple of days in Kissimmee visiting L. C. Conklin.

Mrs. A. Roe left Monday morning for a short trip to Lithia Springs, Ga.

Mr. F. C. Ralls went to Lakeland Wednesday on business.

Mr. J. I. Roberts, of Zolfo, was in the city Wednesday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Cline, last Tuesday a bouncing boy.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Connelly, last week, a bouncing boy.

Miss Olney Williams has been visiting friends in Punta Gorda this week.

Mrs. J. C. Sinclair, of Chipley, Fla., is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. L. McMartin.

Mr. Pearce DePass left last Sunday, for an extended visit to his sister in Key West.

Miss Collie Pooser of Nocatee is visiting her cousin Miss Eddie Pooser of Arcadia, this week.

Messrs. Harry Goldstone and Willis Dewey, of Punta Gorda, were in the city this week.

Miss Bessie Hollingsworth, of Brownsville, is visiting friends in the city this week.

Report has been received that Dr. Kirby Smith is seriously sick at his home in Goldsboro, N. C.

Dr. C. H. Smith has been on the sick list the last few days, but is now on the road to recovery.

Attorneys Carter and Thurman, of Tampa, made Arcadia a professional visit Thursday.

J. A. Craig has gone to St. Louis to purchase a carload of mules and horses preparatory for the orange business.

E. Higginbotham has sold his beautiful orange grove to Jas. H. Jones for \$5,000.

Robt. M. Hendry has returned from a pleasant sojourn in Atlanta. Mrs. Hendry will return as soon as the weather is cooler.

Upon inquiry among the physicians of the city, we find there are no cases of dengue fever here.

Mrs. Lewis Seward and son of Bowling Green, are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. W. L. Mahon and children are in the city. They will soon leave for their new home in Jacksonville.

Wm. McClenthan has purchased the residence of Mrs. Lilla Humphries and will soon move in.

Miss Olney Williams, after a pleasant visit of a week to Miss Nellie Brown, of this city, returned Monday to her home in Arcadia.—Punta Gorda Herald.

Walter Graham, the hustling real estate agent, made a business trip to Fort Myers Monday.

Mrs. Florida King delightfully entertained a large number of the young people last Thursday night in honor of her sons, who are soon to leave for school. Dainty refreshments were served.

C. L. Carlton has sold his stock of cattle to W. W. Langford, also his pasture land was included in the deal.

Mr. W. R. Washburn, the professional jeweler of Ft. Myers, accompanied by his son Lawrence and daughter Ollie, were visiting friends in the city this week.

Miss Frankie Thomas, a charming young lady of Nocatee, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Webb, this week.

Miss Eddie Pooser, made a short visit to her sister, Mrs. H. B. Barnett, in Nocatee Saturday returning Monday.

Miss Fannie Bunker, the charming and accomplished niece of Judge Pooser, who has been visiting relatives at Dade City, returned to Arcadia Tuesday.

Messrs. Robert and Gus Hendry, who have been on an extended visit to relatives and friends in Atlanta, returned to Arcadia Monday morning.

J. B. Pooser has sold his boarding house to W. W. Langford for \$2,500. Mr. Pooser has purchased the orange grove of B. J. Parrish, north of the city.

Mr. A. H. Stueckland has erected a handsome awning in front of his store. It adds greatly to the appearance of the street, and its cooling shade is almost as pleasant as the cold drinks dispensed inside.

D. W. Brown is thoroughly overhauling the Peace river bridge, laying new timbers and strengthening the iron braces.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Craig left Thursday for Orlando and St. Louis. Mrs. Mrs. Craig will visit her parents in Orlando, while Mr. Craig goes to St. Louis to purchase a carload of fine horses.

Miss Rosalie Waldron, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Ocala for the past two months, returned last Friday, accompanied by her charming young friend, Miss Eunice McGahagin.

Colonel T. J. Watkins has returned from the Georgia summer resorts much improved in health. He has no future plans for leaving DeSoto county, and his many friends hope he will continue to reside among us.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Silverman take pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca, to Mr. L. Rosin, of Arcadia, Fla., Sunday, September 2d, 1905, No. 1300, Bayard street, Baltimore, Md.

Tuesday morning as the north bound freight was passing the farm of Dr. C. H. Smith, sparks from the engine set fire to the grass, which spread to the barn and it was entirely destroyed with all the contents. Dr. Smith has made claim against the railroad company for \$750 damages.

A present of \$20 worth of trees will be given to each customer who invests at least \$100 in trees at the Arcadia nursery. Delivered at nursery. Your own time on amounts of \$50 and up.

G. S. HOLLINGSWORTH

Mr. C. M. Patterson, a popular hardware man from Baltimore, was in the city this week doing business with our merchants. He booked a particularly large and varied order for the E. T. Smith Hardware and Furniture Company for Christmas goods. Mr. E. T. Smith expects to leave about the 20th instant for New York, where he will purchase additional holiday goods.

The county commissioners, after canvassing the vote of the several precincts, decided not to make an appropriation to the State Fair to be held in Tampa during November. Unless individuals make up a purse and get up an exhibit DeSoto county will not be represented.

Editor Goolsby, of the Wauchula Advocate, is getting up a home-seekers' edition of his excellent weekly. He has asked the county commissioners for an appropriation to defray the actual expenses of \$25. This edition will no doubt bring in many new settlers and will enhance the value of DeSoto's real estate.

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For the autumn season now at hand the most valuable paper to you will be the New York three-a-week World, because it offers you more at the price than any other paper published anywhere in the world.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Baptist Notes.

Sabbath school was not quite up to average attendance last Sunday, but our services as a whole continue to surpass last summer's record.

Our efficient Sunday school superintendent, C. C. Chollar, visited Kissimmee last Sunday and Monday.

Brother Barber of Mulberry, stopped in Arcadia Tuesday on his way to Punta Gorda. He visited the Orphanage in the afternoon and expressed himself delighted with what he saw there.

Mrs. Mahon came in from Lily Wednesday on her way to Jacksonville to join the family who have gone already. She is spending a few days with friends. We shall miss the Mahons in South Florida, and hope they may find a hearty welcome in our northern metropolis.

Wednesday night was our regular monthly business conference. Arrangements were made to begin to prepare for the approaching meeting of Peace River Association.

Only twenty-seven were at prayer-meeting Wednesday night, the result perhaps of the announcement from the pulpit last Sunday that the praise and prayer service would be cut short on account of the business conference to follow. From fifty-one to twenty-seven is too great a drop from one meeting to the next. Hereafter no announcement of the business meeting will be made from the pulpit unless there should seem to be special need for it.

Miss Zella Humphries is no more. She is now Mrs. Johnson, of Georgia, and the Arcadia church loses one of its best workers. She will be specially missed in the choir.

NEW GOODS.

Our new stock of Dry Goods and Millinery will arrive about Sept. 10th. We are going to show then the greatest line of correct merchandise ever shown in Arcadia. We are giving the trade the best possible values in the line of Dry Goods and Millinery, and in keeping with this policy it is essential to maintain the highest standard of merchandise, ever sticking to the two principles—best qualities and lowest prices.

Mrs. Mormon, a lady of great ability and experience, will have charge of our millinery department. This line will be the most complete ever shown in South Florida. Mrs. Mormon is now in the markets getting the latest ideas in everything pertaining to millinery and will be in Arcadia about September 10th.

Yours very truly,
S. J. CARLTON.

Notice.

We desire to call the attention of the orange growers and farmers of DeSoto county to the fact that we have placed our agency in the hands of Mr. E. F. Childers, who will take pleasure in supplying all your wants.

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THE DOG DAYS.

In the Course of Time Sirius May Rise in Midwinter.

Dog days begin, according to the traditions of boyhood in certain parts of the United States, when the green scum, algae, begins to appear on the surface of the lakes and rivers. Then it is supposed to be unsafe to go in swimming. And it is then that, according to the tradition of many adults as well as of boys, dogs most frequently go mad. All nations and races of civilization apparently have had a period during the summer known as dog days when many maladies were supposed to be common. But the madness of dogs, hydrophobia, was never associated with dog days by the ancients.

Dog days are a rather indefinite period, according to this green scum rule, but there is a disagreement of authorities as to when dog days really do begin and end. According to the dictionary, "dog days are part of the year about the time of the heliacal rising of the dog star, Sirius"—that is, when the dog star rises in conjunction with the sun or as nearly in conjunction as may be observed. Various dates from July 3 to Aug. 15 have been assigned for the beginning of dog days, and they are given various durations of from thirty to fifty days.

It seems to have been from the heliacal rising of Sirius that the ancients most commonly reckoned the dog days. Thus at the present time dog days would begin July 3 and will end Aug. 11. Sirius is the brightest star in the heavens, and it was easy to associate the mutual heat of the brightest star and of the sun with the hottest and most unkindly period of the year. Hippocrates (460 B. C.) declared the dog days to be the most unhealthy part of the summer.

Dog days are continually dropping farther back in the calendar. Now they are twelve days behind the schedule to which they held in the period of the pharaohs. In time Sirius may rise in the dead of winter. The Egyptians maintained that the first indication of the rise of the Nile took place on the morning of the longest day, when, as they said, the sun and Sothis (Sirius) rose together. They attributed the rise of the river entirely to the great heat generated by this star in conjunction with the sun.

Sirius is situated in the mouth of the constellation Canis Major (the "great dog"). The Latin name of dog days was "dies canicularis," and from this comes the term "canicular year," which was known among the Egyptians and Ethiopians. It was computed from one heliacal rising of Sirius to the next and consisted ordinarily of 365 days, every fourth year having 366 days.—Chicago News.

Giants of History.

Turner, the naturalist, declares that he once saw upon the coast of Brazil a race of gigantic savages whose average height was over ten feet, some individuals exceeding twelve and a half feet. M. Thivet of France in his description of America, which was published in Paris in 1575, says that he was once present when the skeleton of a South American savage eleven feet and two inches in height was discovered. The Chinese have a record of several giants between twelve and sixteen feet in height which have lived in the Flowery Kingdom within the last 300 years. Josephus mentions a Jew who was ten feet two inches, and Pliny was well acquainted with Gabbath, the Arabian giant, who was nine feet nine inches in height. Coming down to modern times, we find that John Middleton, who lived in the time of James I., was nine feet three inches and had a hand seventeen inches long by eight and a half broad. Murphy, one of the celebrated trio of Irish giants (Charles Byrne and O'Brien being the other two), was eight feet ten inches and O'Brien two inches taller.

Old Thunder Notions.

The "Prognostication Everlasting of one Leonard Digges," published in 1556, tells us that thunder in the morning denotes wind, at noon rain and in the evening a great tempest. He goes further still and declares that "Sunday's thunder should bring the death of learned men, judges and others, Monday's the death of women, Tuesday's plenty of grain, Wednesday's bloodshed, Thursday's plenty of sheep and corn, Friday's the slaughter of a great man and other horrible murders, Saturday's a great pestilential plague and great dearth."

Sweet talk.

Gerald—As it is to be a secret engagement it would not be wise for me to give you a ring at present. Geraldine—Oh, but I could wear it on the wrong hand.

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